

REMARKS

Status of Claims

Claims 38-40, 44, 46, 48-98, and 119-123 were pending. By this amendment, claims 38, 39, 44, 46, 48, 49, 55, 61, 67, 68, 74, 80, 85, 92, and 119 are amended, and claim 40 is canceled. No new matter is entered.

For purposes of the prosecution of this patent application only, Applicant states that no claims that will be pending in this application upon the entry of this Amendment may be considered to interfere with any claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,759,984, 6,940,456, 6,977,626, 7,113,132, or 7,345,633, all to Wielsma.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 49-98 and 120-123 recite allowable subject matter.

Claim Rejections: 35 U.S.C. § 102(b and 103(a))

Claims 38-40 and 119 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as reciting subject matter anticipated by Yao et al. in U.S. Pat. No. 6,052,093. Claims 44, 46, and 48 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as encompassing subject matter unpatentable over Yao in view of U.S. Pat. No. 4,975,711 to Lee.

The rejected claims, as amended, require that the PCB be apertured between an I-, L-, or F-shaped conductor and a ground plane area. Yao does not disclose this feature, as the Examiner implicitly acknowledged in allowing other claims. Lee does not remedy this deficiency.

CONCLUSION

If there are any remaining issues or the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicant's attorney would be helpful in expediting the prosecution of

this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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